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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES PROSPECT OF U.S.-PERUVIAN CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN POLICY PLANNING STAFFS. IN ADDITION TO SHOWING CONCRETE U.S. INTEREST IN FOLLOWING UP PROMISE OF INCREASED HEMISPHERIC CONSULTATIONS AND WORKING TOWARD BROADER AIMS SET FORTH REFTEL, PROPOSED TALKS COULD GIVE US INCREASED ACCESS TO SMALL GROUP OF KEY ADVISERS AROUND PRESIDENT VELASCO.

2. WE SUGGEST THAT PERUVIAN SIDE INCLUDE THOSE SENIOR MEMBERS OF COMITE DE ASESORAMIENTO DEL PRESIDENTE (COAP) AND NATIONAL PLANNING INSTITUTE DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH FOREIGN POLICY PLUS SENOR FONMIN OFFICIALS SUCH AS SECGEN GARCIA BEDOYA AND SUB-SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS MARCHAND. THESE ARE THE PERUVIANS WHOSE INFLUENCE COUNTS WITHIN THE GOP, WITH FONMIN DE LA FLOR AND, MOST IMPORTANT, WITH VELASCO.

3. TO INVOLVE THIS BUSY GROUP, HOWEVER, WILL IN OUR JUDGMENT REQUIRE A SPECIFIC SUGGESTION BY THE SECRETARY TO FONMIN DE LA FLOR. IN TURN, DE LA FLOR'S ENTHUSIASM AND FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION WILL BE NECESSARY TO ELICIT VELASCO'S SUPPORT AND INSTRUCTION.
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TIONS TO PARTICIPATE. OTHERWISE, U.S. POLICY PLANNERS WOULD HAVE TO SETTLE FOR LOWER ECHELON TALKS.

4. AS TO TOPICS, THE GOP WILL BE INTERESTED IN U.S. CONCEPTS CONCERNING:

- THE FUTURE OF THE OAS, PARTICULARLY IN THE ECONOMIC SPHERE;
- ANY "THIRD WORLD" PLACE IN THE ACTUAL AND PERSPECTIVE WORLD STRUCTURE (DOMINATED IN THE PERUVIAN VIEW, BY A SUPER-POWER CONDOMINIUM);
- NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION PROSPECTS AND IMPLICATIONS;
- THE WORLD FOOD SITUATION IN COMING YEARS.

5. CONCERNING TIMING, WE SUGGEST A TIME DURING THE WEEKS OF OCTOBER 7 TO 11, 21 TO 25 OR 28 TO 31. DATES AROUND THE OCTOBER 3 ANNIVERSARY OF THE REVOLUTION THAT BROUGHT THE PRESENT MILITARY GOVERNMENT TO POWER SHOULD BE AVOIDED. THE AMBASSADOR PLANS TO BE IN SOUTHERN PERU FROM OCTOBER 13 TO 19.

6. A ONE OR TWO DAY VISIT WOULD PROBABLY SUFFICE, SINCE THE PERUVIAN SIDE WILL BALK AT EXTENDED TALKS AND WILL EXPECT THE U.S. TO TAKE THE LEAD IN SETTING FORTH ITS IDEAS.

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